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**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

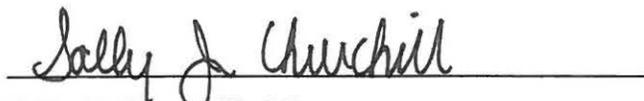
**Robert W. Lash, M.D.**, chief of staff for clinical affairs, Michigan Medicine, and clinical professor of internal medicine, Medical School, will retire from active faculty status on December 29, 2017.

Dr. Lash received his A.B. (1980) degree from Dartmouth College and his M.D. (1984) degree from the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. He completed his internal medicine residency at the University of California, San Francisco (1984-87) and his endocrinology fellowship at the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland (1987-90). He joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor in 1996. Dr. Lash was appointed clinical assistant professor in 1999, and was promoted to clinical associate professor in 2001, and clinical professor in 2009. He also served as associate chief of staff for clinical affairs and chief of staff for clinical affairs in Michigan Medicine (formerly University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers).

Dr. Lash is a leader in the field of endocrine diseases. He was an active member of the Michigan Medicine guideline groups on these diseases and authored a number of book chapters and review articles on pituitary disease, bone disorders, and gestational diabetes. Dr. Lash edited the endocrine sections of two internal medicine handbooks and collaborated on published research projects on gestational diabetes and bone metabolism. Dr. Lash was actively involved in a number of committees, including as chair of the Executive Committee for Clinical Affairs, associate chair of the Medical Liability Review Committee, and chair of the Medical Staff Quality Committee. Dr. Lash received numerous Medical School teaching awards, including the Senior Award (2001), the Richard D. Judge Award for Excellence in Medical Student Teaching (2002), and the H. Marvin Pollard Award for Outstanding Teaching of Residents (2007). He was inducted into the Medical School's League of Educational Excellence (2012) and the Academy of Medical Educators (2013).

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Robert W. Lash, clinical professor emeritus of internal medicine.**

**Requested by:**



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